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Sir:

Further to the Notice of Appeal filed on October 22, 2008, for the subject application, this paper is being submitted with the accompanying Request for Continued Examination in lieu of an Appeal Brief. A submission is due by December 22, 2008. Accordingly, this paper is being timely filed.

Applicants request entry of the following amendments to the claims. Upon entry, the claims pending for further proceedings will be those in the claim listing that begins at page 2 of this paper.

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